

#### **Press Release**

# <u>Indiabulls Liquid Fund and Indiabulls Short Term Fund (Indiabulls Asset Management Company Limited)</u>

#### **November 21, 2018**

#### **Rating**

Scheme Name	Rating	Rating Action
Indiabulls Liquid Fund	IVR AAAmfs (IVR Triple A mfs)	Reaffirmed and placed on
		notice of withdrawal
Indiabulls Short Term	IVR AA+mfs (IVR Double A Plus	Reaffirmed and placed on
Fund	mfs)	notice of withdrawal

#### **Details of Facilities are in Annexure 1**

## **Rating Action**

Infomerics Valuation and Rating Private Ltd has reaffirmed the credit quality rating of Indiabulls Liquid Fund at IVR AAAmfs (IVR Triple A mfs) and has placed the rating on "Notice of Withdrawal" for 30 days.

Infomerics Valuation And Rating Private Ltd has reaffirmed the credit quality rating of Indiabulls Short Term Fund at IVR AA+mfs (IVR Double A Plus mfs) and has placed the rating on ""Notice of Withdrawal" for 30 days.

Both these funds are managed by Indiabulls Asset Management Company Limited (Indiabulls AMC). The ratings have been placed on notice for withdrawal for one month, at the request of the fund house.

The rating indicates INFOMERICS' opinion on the credit quality of the underlying portfolio of debt securities that are held by the fund. The rating pertains to the specific Debt Mutual Fund scheme. The rating does not indicate the AMC's willingness, or ability, to make timely payments to the fund's investors. The rating is also not an opinion on the fund's prospective performance, net asset value (NAV) or yield of the fund. The NAV may vary with developments in the market.



#### **Detailed Rationale**

The rating derives comfort from the credit worthiness of the underlying portfolio. The credit scores are assigned to the individual securities as per the credit worthiness of the security. The credit scores are then multiplied by the proportion of the security in the scheme to arrive at the weighted average credit score. The rating of the fund is primarily driven by the weighted average credit score. Apart from this, the assigned rating also takes into account the quality of Investment Manager (AMC) and strength of the sponsor.

## **List of Key Rating Drivers**

- > Credit worthiness of the underlying portfolio
- Quality of the AMC
- > Strength of the sponsor

## **Analytical Approach and Applicable Criteria**

Credit Quality Rating Methodology for Mutual Funds

Policy on Withdrawal of Ratings

#### **About the Funds**

Indiabulls Liquid Fund (IBLF) is a short-term open ended fund which was launched in October 2011. The investment objective of the fund is to generate returns commensurate with low risk, while the scheme would predominantly invest in money market instruments. The fund intends to provide a high level of liquidity with returns commensurate with low risk through a portfolio of money market and debt securities with maturity of up to 91 days. The fund's assets under management (AUM) stood at Rs.1589.5 crore as on October 31, 2018.

Indiabulls Short Term Fund (IBSTF) is a short-term open ended fund which was launched in September 2013. The investment objective of the fund is to generate stable returns over short term with a low risk strategy, while maintaining liquidity through a portfolio comprising debt and money market instruments. The fund intends to provide liquidity with returns commensurate with low risk through a portfolio of money market

and debt securities with maturity ranging upto 5 years. The fund's assets under

management (AUM) stood at Rs. 180.8 crore as on October 31, 2018.

**About the AMC** 

Indiabulls AMC is the Investment Manager of IBLF. It manages 10 mutual fund schemes with

an AUM of Rs.8008 crore as on September 30, 2018. The risk management policy of the AMC

lays down the methodology for the identification, measurement, monitoring and management

of risks. The risk management policy is put into action through various oversight bodies such

as Risk Management Committee, Investment Management Committee and Valuation

Committee.

**About the sponsor** 

The sponsor is Indiabulls Housing Finance Ltd (IBHFL). IBHFL is registered with National

Housing Bank (NHB) and is engaged in the business of mortgage finance (home loans & loan

against property) and corporate loans (mainly to real estate developers). IBHFL is one of the

leading housing finance companies in India. IBHFL has presence in mortgage loans (housing

loans and LAP), corporate loans (mainly in the nature of short-term secured bridge loans,

project finance and lease rent discounting) and commercial vehicle financing. IBHFL is present

across 220 locations spreading across 20 States and /or Union Territories of India. IBHFL

reported a total revenue of Rs.14,640 crore and a PAT of Rs.3,847 crore in FY2018. As on

March 31, 2018, its net worth and loan book stood at Rs.13,424 crore and Rs.1,22,578 crore

respectively.

**Key financial indicators:** Not applicable

Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Not applicable

**Any other information:** Nil

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## **Rating History for last three years:**

Scheme	<b>Current Ratings (2018-19)</b>			Rating History			
Name	Type	Amount Outstan ding (Rs. Crore)	Rating	Date & Rating Press Release Assigned in 2018-19	Date & Rating Press Release Assigned in 2017-18	Date & Rating Press Release Assigned in 2016-17	Date & Rating Press Release Assigned in 2015-16
Indiabulls Liquid Fund	Long Term	-	IVR AAAmfs (Reaffir med and placed on notice of withdraw al)	-	IVR AAAmfs (September 14, 2017)	Nil	Nil
Indiabulls Short Term Fund	Long Term	-	IVR AA+mfs (Reaffir med and placed on notice of withdraw al)	IVR AA+mfs (June 22, 2018)	IVR AAAmfs (November 6, 2017)	IVR AAAmfs (November 2, 2016)	Nil

**Note on complexity levels of the rated instrument:** Infomerics has classified instruments rated by it on the basis of complexity and a note thereon is available at www.infomerics.com.

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### **Annexure 1: Details of Facility**

Scheme Name	Date of	Coupon	Maturity	Size of Facility	Rating Assigned/
	Issuance	Rate/ IRR	Date	(Rs. Crores)	Outlook
Indiabulls Liquid	-	-	-	-	IVR AAAmfs
Fund					(IVR Triple A
					mfs)
					(Reaffirmed and
					placed on notice
					of withdrawal)
Indiabulls Short	-	-	-	-	IVR AA+mfs
Term Fund					(IVR Double A
					Plus mfs)
					(Reaffirmed and
					placed on notice
					of withdrawal)